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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the year 1970.

To the Chairman and Members of the Fylde Rural District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you the Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health for the year 1970.

The vital statistics for the area remained generally satisfactory during the year and there were no large scale outbreaks of infectious illness during the year.

My thanks again are due to my colleagues in the Health Department for their loyalty and assistance, to you, Mr. Chairman and Members of the Health Committee, my appreciation of the encouragement and support afforded me.

Yours faithfully,

J.E. MORRIS

Medical Officer of Health.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area (in acres)	33,159
Population	19,010
Number of inhabited houses (at end of 1970) (excluding M.Q.'s)	5,936
Rateable value at 31.12.70	£877,366
Amount produced by a penny rate 1970/1971 ..	£3,550

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS: Three hundred and eighty-nine births; 195 males and 194 females were registered during the year. The birth rate of 20.5 compares with the rate of 18.4 per 1,000 in 1969. Twenty of the births were illegitimate.

STILLBIRTHS: There were four male and three female stillbirths during the year, making a stillbirth rate of 18.0 per 1,000 total live and stillbirths, compared with a rate of 12.0 per 1,000 in 1969.

DEATHS: Two hundred and eighty-one deaths; 137 males and 144 females, were registered during the year. The death rate of 14.8 per 1,000 compares with a rate of 15.7 per 1,000 in 1969.

Deaths per 1,000 home population

Crude rate	14.8
Adjusted rate	11.4

Infant mortality rates per 1,000 live births

Deaths under 1 year	23
Deaths of legitimate infants under 1 year	22
Deaths of illegitimate infants under 1 year	50

Neonatal mortality rate per 1,000 live births

Deaths under 4 weeks	15

Early neonatal mortality rate per 1,000 total live births

Deaths under 1 week	15

Perinatal mortality rate per 1,000 total live and stillbirths

Stillbirths and deaths under 1 week	33

Live birth rates, etc., per 1,000 home population

Crude rate	20.5
Adjusted rate	20.1
Illegitimate live births as percentage of all live births	5

CAUSE OF DEATH

The table below shows the causes of death of Rural District residents in 1970:-

	Male	Female	Total
Late effects of Respiratory T.B. ..	1	-	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Oesophagus ..	1	-	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	1	2	3
Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine ..	2	3	5
Malignant Neoplasm, Larynx	1	-	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	14	3	17
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	-	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	-	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Prostate ..	2	-	2
Leukaemia	2	1	3
Other Malignant Neoplasms	3	8	11
Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms ..	1	-	1
Diabetes Mellitus	-	1	1
Mental Disorders	15	15	30
Multiple Sclerosis	-	1	1
Other Diseases of Nervous System ..	-	2	2

	Male	Female	Total
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease ..	-	1	1
Hypertensive Disease	3	2	5
Ischaemic Heart Disease	30	22	52
Other Forms of Heart Disease	3	5	8
Cerebrovascular Disease	19	28	47
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	16	25	41
Influenza	2	2	4
Pneumonia	1	2	3
Bronchitis and Emphysema	8	2	10
Asthma	-	1	1
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	3	1	4
Peptic Ulcer	1	-	1
Other Diseases of Digestive System ..	-	2	2
Nephritis and Nephrosis	1	1	2
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	1	1	2
Diseases of Skin, Subcutaneous Tissue	1	-	1
Congenital Anomalies	1	-	1
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc.	1	1	2
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	1	1	2
Symptoms and Ill Defined Conditions	-	2	2
Motor Vehicle Accidents	1	1	2
All Other Accidents	1	4	5
All Other External Causes	-	2	2
Total all causes:	137	144	281

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES

PERSONNEL

Medical Officer of Health:	J.E. Morris, B.Sc., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., D.C.H., D.L.H.
Other Appointments held:	Medical Officer of Health - Boroughs of Lytham St. Annes and Fleetwood. Urban Districts of Poulton-le-Fylde, Kirkham, Thornton-Cleveleys and Preesall. Divisional Medical Officer of Health, Division No. 3, Lancashire County Council.
Chief Public Health Inspector:	H. Graham, M.A.P.H.I., Cert. R.S.H.
Deputy Chief Public Health Inspector:	T.B. Berry, M.A.P.H.I., Cert. R.S.H.

HOSPITAL FACILITIES

For general cases the main hospitals used are the Preston Royal Infirmary of the Preston and Chorley Hospital Management Committee, the Blackpool Victoria, Wesham Park, and Lytham St. Annes Hospitals of the Blackpool and Fylde Hospital Management Committee. Infectious diseases are admitted to the Devonshire Road Hospital, Blackpool, excepting in the case of Tuberculosis which go to Elswick Sanatorium.

Accommodation for Smallpox is provided by the Manchester Regional Hospital Board at the Ainsworth Smallpox Hospital, near Bury.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES

The Ambulance Service is administered by the Lancashire County Council. Ambulance Stations in No. 3 Health Division of the Lancashire County are located at Wesham, St. Annes, Thornton and Fleetwood. The service is part of Radio-control Area No. 3 of the County Ambulance Service and controlled from Broughton House, near Preston.

LABORATORY FACILITIES

Bacteriological examination of specimens, also water, milk and ice-cream samples, is carried out at the Public Health Laboratory building in Meadow Street, Preston.

PROFESSIONAL NURSING IN THE HOME

General nursing cases and confinements are attended by District Nurses and Midwives of the Lancashire County Council.

VENEREAL DISEASE SERVICE

Facilities for treatment of Venereal Disease are available at Blackpool Victoria Hospital and Preston Royal Infirmary.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE AND OTHER CLINICS, FYLDE AREA OF LANCASHIRE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE AND SCHOOL MEDICAL CLINIC

Clinics of the County Council, held in the Rural District, at the time of preparation of this report, are as follows:-

Freckleton - Methodist Sunday School

Monday .. p.m. Child Welfare Clinic
p.m. Immunisation (Fourth Monday in each month).
p.m. Vaccination (Second Monday in each month).

Singleton - Church Hall

Monday .. p.m. C.W.C. (First and Third Monday in each month).
Health Visitor clinic only.

Staining - The Institute

Monday .. p.m. C.W.C. (Alternate Mondays in each month).

Warton - The Institute, Church Road

Wednesday .. p.m. C.W.C.

Weeton - Army Sick Quarters

Tuesday .. p.m. C.W.C. (Alternate Tuesday in each month).
p.m. Immunisation (Once a month).

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

A total of 75 samples was obtained comprising 42 milks (four of which were Channel Islands milk) and 33 others as follows:-

1 Chicken Flavour Chips
1 Sour Cream Sauce
1 Fry Potato Mix
2 Grated Cheese
1 Fruit Yoghourt (low fat)
1 Tomatoes, canned
1 Creamed Horseradish
1 Chicken Fillets in Jelly, canned
1 Cheese Spread with Pineapple
1 Instant Mashed Potato
1 Cake Mix
1 Biscuits
1 Antiseptic Ointment
1 Cooling Powders
1 Chocolate Football
1 Marzipan
2 Dairy Ice Cream
1 Ice Cream
1 Bilberries, canned
1 Orange Drink
1 Raspberry Drink
1 Non Brewed Condiment
1 Nutmeg
1 Marmalade
1 Sugar Sticks
1 Sweets
1 Quick Jel
1 White Pepper
1 Mint in Vinegar
1 Steak and Kidney Pudding
1 Soft Drink

I give below details of those samples on which the County Analyst gave adverse reports:-

Sample	Result of Analysis	Action Taken
Tomatoes, canned	The amount of tin (295 parts per million), Lead (3.1 parts per million) and Iron (29% parts per million) found were all high, but could be seen from the etching pattern on the inside of the can to have entered the food after the can had been opened - the major ring was approximately one third of the way up the side of the can. The sample was free from copper, zinc and agricultural residues and is unlikely to have been the cause of the illness complained about.	Complainant Informed.
Informal Milk	Fat content 2.40% Deficient 20.0% fat.	Formal sample taken

Sample	Result of Analysis	Action Taken
Formal Milk	Deficient 11.1% Solids-not-fat Freezing point indicates 4.3% Extraneous Water.	Producer Cautioned.
Formal Milk	Freezing point indicates 5.3% Extraneous Water.	Producer cautioned and further sample obtained.
Formal Milk	Freezing point indicates 5.2% Extraneous Water.	Prosecution under consideration.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

TUBERCULOSIS

A Tuberculosis service is provided by the Regional Hospital Board, the Lancashire County Council, and the District Council. The Hospital Board is responsible mainly for treatment, the County Council for prevention, care and after-care, and the Sanitary Authority for prevention.

A Tuberculosis Health Visitor is provided by the Lancashire County Council, and Hospital and Chest Clinic facilities by the Blackpool and Fylde Hospital Management Committee.

There were no cases of Tuberculosis during the year.

Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) During the year 1970.

Age	Measles		Scarlet Fever		Infective Jaundice		Whooping Cough		Acute Meningitis		Dysentery		Food Poisoning	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Final numbers after correction under 1 year	9	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 Year	19	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 Year	24	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
3 Year	29	25	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4 Year	24	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 to 9 Year	57	39	4	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 to 14 Year	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 to 24 Year	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
25 Year and over	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Age Unknown	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL (all ages)	168	139	5	9	1	1	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-

FYLDE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

Health Department,
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Our ref: HG/TBB/PMN.

To the Chairman and Members of the Council,

It is my duty and pleasure to submit to you my twenty-fifth Annual Report upon the work of the Public Health Inspectors Department for the year ending 31st December, 1970.

There were no staff changes during the year, and I would like once again to express my appreciation of the loyalty and help of Mr. T.B. Berry and Mrs. P.M. Norcross.

Comments upon the work dealt with are contained in the appropriate sections of the report.

The main details for the year 1970 are set out below, and the following is a summary of the visits made:-

No. of premises visited - 1,683. No. of visits - 1,895

Defects or nuisances discovered	47
Defects or nuisances remedied	42
No. of informal notices served	47
No. of Statutory notices served	2
No. of legal proceedings	1

Inspections and re-visits in connection with:-

<u>Public Health Acts.</u>

Dwellinghouses on complaint	19
Drains and sewers	95
Ditches and watercourses	38

Noise abatement	22
Infectious diseases	18
Food poisoning	37
Inns, Restaurants, etc.	4
Keeping of Animals	14
Offensive accumulations or effluvia	8
Smoke (observations) etc.	6
Verminous or dirty premises	NIL
Insect Pests	29
<u>Housing Acts.</u>	
Individual unfit houses	14
Improvement Grants	116
Qualification Certificates	10
<u>Factories Act.</u>	14
<u>Food and Drugs Acts.</u>	
Food Premises	135
Stalls, Vehicles, etc.	6
Food Inspection	125
Sampling	71
Waste Foods Order	38
Brucellosis	39
<u>Miscellaneous.</u>	
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963 ..	85
Shops Act, 1950	253
Pests Act, 1949	90

Refuse Collection and Disposal	201
Civic Amenities Act, 1967	11
Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960.	304
Miscellaneous	94

Slaughterhouses, Food and Food Premises.

There is one private slaughterhouse in operation at Freckleton, and one knackers yard at Staining, operated by the Blackpool Tower Co., for the purpose of providing food for circus animals and animals in the zoo.

All animals slaughtered for human consumption were inspected, and details of meat and other food dealt with are set out overleaf:-

Meat Inspection: Carcases inspected and condemnations

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed (if known)	248	-	-	1,862	-	-
Number inspected	248	-	-	1,862	-	-
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci -						
Whole carcases condemned	Nil	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	39	-	-	6	-	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	15%	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis only -						
Whole carcases condemned	Nil	-	-	-	Nil	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	Nil	-	-	-	Nil	-
Percentage of number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	Nil	-	-	-	-	-
Cysticercosis -						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	Nil	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	Nil	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned ..	Nil	-	-	-	-	-

The weight of carcase meat and offal condemned was 4cwts. 68lbs. 12pounds of canned meat, and 50 pounds of frozen food were also condemned during the year.

There is one poultry processing premises within the district with a throughput of approximately 12,000 birds per week.

The number of slaughtermen licensed at the end of the year was eight; and the number of visits made in connection with food inspection was 125.

There are now no bakers and/or confectioners in the area. 135 visits were made to food premises of all kinds. Only minor contraventions of the Food Hygiene Regulations in a very few cases were found, and these were satisfactorily dealt with by informal action, no legal proceedings being necessary.

Sixty-six premises were registered for the sale of ice cream and three for the manufacture of ice cream - all using the hot-mix method of production. All the premises were found to be satisfactory.

Seventy samples of ice cream were submitted to the laboratory for examination, all of which proved satisfactory to the tests carried out. Routine visits were made to ice cream premises in addition to those visits when sampling was carried out.

Five premises are registered for the manufacture of preserved foods and all are satisfactory.

The number of premises by type of business, in the district at the end of the year was as follows:-

<u>Type of business -</u>

Greengrocers and provision dealers	43
Greengrocers and fruiterers (including those selling wet fish, game, etc.)	8
Meat shops (butchers, purveyors of cooked and preserved meats, tripe, etc.)	8
Fried fish shops	11
Shops selling mainly sugar confectionery, minerals, ice cream, etc.	11

Type of business -

Licensed premises, clubs, canteens, restaurants cafes, snack bars, and similar catering establishments	39
Others	7

The number of distributors of milk registered by the Council and operating from dairies within the district was 9, and from shops was 8.

Three hundred and seventy-five samples of milk were submitted for examination for brucella organisms with the following results:-

	Positive.	Negative.	No Result.
Ring Test	51	296	18
Culture Test	2	17	-
Biological Test ..	-	1	-

Under Regulation 20 of the Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959, two notices were served requiring pasteurisation of milk found to be infected with brucella organisms; and two notices were withdrawn.

No action was necessary under the Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1925.

There was one case of food poisoning during the year.

Six inspections were made of mobile food traders vehicle and all were found to be satisfactory.

Factories.

There were 60 factories on the register at the end of the year, and 17 inspections were made. One notice was served in respect of defective sanitary accommodation and this was quickly remedied.

Sanitary Accommodation and Sewage Disposal.

During the year twelve pail closets were converted to waterclosets. There are very few middens left in the district and there are no trough closets or waste water closets. The number of pail closets remaining is estimated to be 189, and the number of dwellings not on a water carriage system to be the same.

The Council operates sewage treatment works in the Parishes of Bryning-with-Warton; Ribby-with-Wrea; Staining; Elswick; Weeton and Newton-with-Clifton. A joint sewage works at Freckleton deals with the sewerage from Kirkham Urban District and the Parish of Medlar-with-Wesham.

The works at Wrea Green, Staining, Elswick and Weeton are all post-war developments and treatment consists of screening, sedimentation, biological filtration, and humus tanks with final discharge to adjacent watercourses. The works at Warton and Freckleton provide tank treatment only, with no filtration, and discharge to brooks.

During the year a sewerage scheme for the hamlet of Thistleton was completed, and connected to the Elswick sewage works. This leaves Singleton and Little Eccleston which have not a proper system of sewerage; and in these instances investigations into the different possibilities are in progress.

Schools.

Total number of schools in district	16
Sanitary condition of schools:-	
(a) No. with unsatisfactory yard surfaces ..	Nil
(b) Sanitary accommodation:-	
No. of schools with -	
(i) Fresh water closets only	16
(ii) Pail closets only	Nil

(c) Drainage:-

No. with drainage to

(i)	Public sewers	9
(ii)	Private treatment works	7
(d)	No. with dustbins	16
(e)	No. with mains water supply	16
(f)	Washing facilities:-	
	Unsatisfactory	1
	Satisfactory	15

All schools are provided with satisfactory drinking water facilities.

Public Cleansing.

The establishment at the end of the year consisted of one Dennis Paxit IIIA 50 cu.yd., two Eagle Crushload 50 cu.yd. rear compressor, one Karrier Musketeer 60 cu.yd. screw type, one S and D. 35 cu.yd. rear compressor, and one Karrier 18 cu.yd. fore and aft tipper which is held in reserve for any emergency. Time is showing that wear and tear on the more complicated mechanical systems of the larger vehicles is very considerable, resulting in increased maintenance and repair costs. A further 186 houses were built but again no increase of staff was necessary and the bonus scheme continued to operate satisfactorily both from the Council's and the ratepayers points of view.

Twenty-three men, including five drivers, were engaged upon refuse collection. Upon the cessation of the collection of salvage, the position of salvage baler was dispensed with. Similarly upon the retirement of the tip attendant, this position was dispensed with after the closing of the Whinbrick tip.

A trial scheme for the servicing and maintenance of the Council's vehicles by the Lancashire County Council was inaugurated, but due to an industrial dispute at the County Maintenance Depot the scheme collapsed at the end of November and the Council's former repairers agreed to undertake again the repair and maintenance of the Council's refuse wagons.

The Council's tip at Whinbrick was closed in September and from that time refuse from the area has been disposed of at the Preston Corporation's Tip at Clifton Marsh.

Moveable Dwellings.

There were 97 sites in the area used for camping and caravanning purposes during 1970. At the end of the year there were in operation 7 sites licensed under Section 269 of the Public Health Act, 1936, and 78 licensed under the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960. A few other sites were used temporarily by tented campers.

The number of caravans concerned in the sites licensed under the 1960 Act was 2,620, and of these 448 were permanently occupied. Some progress was made towards provision being made for touring caravanners in that two sites each for 25 tourers were licensed during the year.

In the main the licensed sites in the area continued to be operated satisfactorily and in some cases further improvements were carried out.

Water Supply.

The whole of the area is supplied with mains water by the Fylde Water Board. Results of sampling carried out by the Board are received regularly by the department. It is estimated that the number of dwellings connected to the mains is 6,459, whilst there are 4 dwellings not connected to a public supply. The estimated position in the various Parishes is set out in the following table:-

Supplies to dwellings:

PARISH	(a) No. of dwellings newly connected to public mains during 1970		(b) Supply to all dwellings at end of year					
			From public mains				From private supplies, e.g. wells, springs etc.	
			Direct to dwellings		By means of standpipe			
	Existing dwellings	New dwellings	No. of dwellings	Est. No. of Pop.	No. of dwellings	Est. No. of Pop.	No. of dwellings	Est. No. of Pop.
Bryning-w-Warton	-	18	1,142	2,696	-	-	1	4
Elswick	-	22	241	640	-	-	-	-
Lt.Eccleston-w-Larbreck	-	-	80	352	-	-	1	3
Freckleton	-	40	1,593	4,926	-	-	1	3
Greenhalgh-w-Thistleton	-	-	122	479	-	-	1	3
Staining	-	14	497	1,308	-	-	-	-
Medlar-w-Wesham	-	23	737	2,572	-	-	-	-
Newton-w-Clifton	-	48	682	2,202	-	-	-	-
Ribby-w-Wrea	-	13	410	1,220	-	-	-	-
Singleton	-	4	223	752	-	-	-	-
Treales, Roseacre and Wharles	-	3	106	358	-	-	-	-
Weeton-w-Preese	-	1	397	762	-	-	-	-
Westby-w-Plumptons	-	-	224	730	-	-	-	-
TOTAL - Whole District	-	186	6,459	18,997	-	-	4	13

Typical chemical analyses of the water supplied are as follows:-

FYLDE WATER BOARD

Chemical Analysis

	WESTBY RESERVOIR		WEETON RESERVOIR	
	Winter	Summer	Winter	Summer
Appearance	Clear and Bright			
Colour (Hazen p.p.m. Pt)	3	2	2	3
Turbidity (p.p.m. Silica)	Nil			
Odour	Nil			
Taste	Normal			
Reaction pH Value	7.8	8.4	7.6	7.8
Electrical Conductivity μ m h o/c.c.	108	300	86	140
	p.p.m			
Residual Chlorine	0.15	0.15	0.05	0.05
Free and Saline Ammonia as N_2	0.15	0.08	0.14	0.02
Albuminoid Ammonia as N_2	0.07	0.04	0.05	0.07
Nitrous Nitrogen as N_2	negligible			
Nitric Nitrogen as N_2	0.43	0.20	0.48	0.45
Oxygen absorbed 4 hrs @ 27°C	0.71	0.23	0.26	0.30
Free Acidity as CO_2	-	-	-	-
Carbonate Hardness as $CaCO_3$	20	108	9	30
Total Hardness as $CaCO_3$	40	135	29	52
Non-Carbonate Hardness as $CaCO_3$	20	27	20	22

	WESTBY RESERVOIR		WEETON RESERVOIR	
	Winter	Summer	Winter	Summer
Excess Alkalinity as Na_2CO_3	Nil			
Calcium as $CaCO_3$	34	68	22	30
Magnesium as $CaCO_3$	6	67	7	22
Total Solids dried at 180°C	89	220	71	86
Chloride as Cl	10	20	11	15
Sulphate as SO_4	22	44	20	25
Lead as Pb	less than 0.05			
Manganese as Mn	0.02	0.01	0.04	0.01
Copper as Cu	-	-	-	-
Iron as Fe	0.06	0.04	0.02	0.04
Aluminium as Al	0.09	0.05	0.05	0.03
Fluoride as F	less than 0.10			

Rodent Control

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

One part-time operator is employed for rodent control work.

Action taken during the year:-

	Type of Premises	
	Non-Agricultural	Agricultural
(a) No. of properties in district	6,459	438
(b) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification..	153	3
(c) No. of (b) infested by -		
rats	117	1
mice	36	Nil
(d) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification ..	121	28
(e) No. of (d) infested by -		
rats	Nil	Nil
mice	Nil	Nil

The treatment of dwelling houses and non-profit making establishments is carried out without charge. Business premises are charged on a time and materials basis. None of the Council's sewers were found to be infested.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963.

	Offices	Retail Shops	Wholesale shops, Warehouses	Catering establishments open to public, canteens	Fuel Storage depots.
(1) No. of registered premises at end of year	11	43	2	23	2
(2) No. of registered premises receiving a general inspection during year	6	38	1	23	1
(3) No. of exemptions current at end of year:-					
Space (S.5.(2))	Nil				
Temperature (S.6)	Nil				
Sanitary conveniences (S.9)	Nil				
Washing facilities (S.10)	Nil				

The number of visits of all kinds made to registered premises was 84. There were no prosecutions during the year.

Housing.

At the end of the year the Council held 354 applications for housing, made up of 235 for ordinary needs; 14 for agriculture; 44 for old peoples flatlets; and 61 for old peoples bungalows. 63 dwellings were completed by the Council. The private sector shewed a further decrease in completions - 123 as against 221 the previous year.

Housing Statistics.

(1) Number of new dwellings erected during the year:-

	Houses	Flats
(i) By the local authority	63	Nil
(ii) By other local authorities	Nil	Nil
(iii) By other bodies or persons	123	Nil

(2) Total no. of dwellings owned by any local authority, existing in district at end of year 1,050

(3) Inspections of dwellings during the year:-

(i) (a) Total no. of dwellings inspected formally or informally for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts).. .. 38

(b) No. of inspections, formal or informal, made for the purpose 46

(c) No. of dwellings in (a) above found to be not in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation but capable of being rendered fit 7

(ii) Total No. of dwellings existing at end of year, occupied or not, which were unfit for human habitation and not capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit and in respect of which -

(a) Demolition, Clearance or Closing Orders have been made (at any time).. 12

(b) Demolition, Clearance or Closing Orders have not yet been made .. 35

(4) Houses Demolished:-

In or Adjoining Clearance Areas:	Houses demolished	Displaced during year	
		Persons	Families
(1) Houses unfit for human habitation	nil	nil	nil
(2) Houses included by reason of bad arrangement, etc.	nil	nil	nil
(3) Houses on land acquired under S.43(2), Housing Act, 1957	nil	nil	nil
Not in or Adjoining Clearance Areas:			
(4) As a result of formal or informal procedure under S.16 or S.17(1), Housing Act, 1957	7	2	1
(5) Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under local Acts	nil	nil	nil
(6) Unfit houses included in Unfitness Orders	nil	nil	nil

(5) Unfit Houses Closed:-

(1) Under S.16(4), S.17(1) and S.35(1), Housing Act, 1957, and S.26, Housing Act, 1961	nil	nil	nil
(2) Under S.17(3) and S.26, Housing Act, 1957	nil	nil	nil
(3) Parts of buildings closed under S.18, Housing Act, 1957	nil	nil	nil

(6) Unfit Houses Made Fit:-

(1) By owner after informal action by local authority .. .. Nil

(2) After formal notice under S.9 and S.16, Housing Act, 1957:-

(a) by owner .. .. Nil
(b) by local authority .. .. Nil

(3) After formal notice under Public Health Acts .. Nil

(4) After modification or revocation of a clearance order under S.24, Housing Act, 1961 .. Nil

(5) After determination of a demolition order under S.24, Housing Act, 1957 .. .. Nil

(7) Unfit Houses in Temporary Use (Housing Act, 1957):-

	Number of Houses (1)	No. of separate dwellings contained in column (1) (2)
Position at end of year:		
(a) Under Section 48 ..	Nil	Nil
(b) Under S.17(2)	Nil	Nil
(c) Under S.46	Nil	Nil
Licensed for temporary occupation under S.34 or S.53	Nil	-

(8) Purchase of Houses by Agreement:-

	No. of Houses (1)	No. of occupants of houses in column (1) (2)
Houses in clearance areas other than those included in confirmed orders or compulsory purchase orders	Nil	Nil

Improvement Grants.

Standard Grants:-

(1) No. of applications -

(a) owner/occupiers:	18	Approved:	18
(b) tenanted houses:	4	Approved:	4

(2) No. of dwellings improved -

(a) owner/occupiers:	17
(b) tenanted:	3

(3) Amount paid in grants: £2,251 6s. 4d.

(4) Average grant per house: £112 11s. 7d.

(5) Amenities provided -

(a) Fixed bath	13
(b) Shower	Nil
(c) Wash hand basin	14
(d) Hot water supply (to any fittings)	12
(e) Water closet within dwelling	18
(f) Sink	3

Discretionary Grants:-

(1) No. of applications approved	16
(2) No. of applications refused	Nil

(3) Amount paid in grants: £5,389

(4) No. of dwellings improved	(a) owner/occupier ..	10
	(b) tenanted	1

(5) Average grant per house: £489 18s. 2d.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Public Health Inspector.